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SUBJECT: INDUSTRIAL WAREHOUSE-EMAD VISIT TO US

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- 1. EMBOFF CALLED ON EMAD TO DISCUSS HIS US TRIP. ACCORDING EMAD, US WAS HIGHLIGHT OF THREE-COUNTRY TOUR DUE TO SCOPE AND QUALITY OF WAREHOUSE FACILITIES AND HOSPITALITY BY USDOC AND PRIVATE FIRMS. J.C. PENNEY WAREHOUSE WAS LARGEST AND MOST IMPRESSIVE IN ALL COUNTRIES VISITED, FOLLOWED BY CATERPILLAR AND AVON(LATTER FOR ITS DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM ONLY). EMAD BELIEVES HE WAS SOMEWHAT OVER PROGRAMMED IN US, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD MEETINGS IN WASHINGTON, BUT FEELS US SCHEDULE HIGHLY SUBSTANTIVE AND A FRUITFUL INTRODUCTION TO WAREHOUSING BUSINESS.
- 2. ACCORDING EMAD, "MOST QUALIFIED" CONSULTING FIRMS CONTACTED DURING VISIT ABROAD WERE FMC, PRICE WATERHOUSE, LEO A. DALEY AND VANSU, ALL OF U.S. CALL ON ROBERT A. EAVER AND ASSOCIATES HAD BEEN ENCOURAGED BY SOME IRANIAN ASSOCIATES(SALI MOURANI AND DR. KHOSROW), BUT EMAD CONCLUDED AFTER MEETING WITH WEAVER REPS IN BOSTON THAT FIRM NOT EXPERIENCED IN WAREHOUSES.
- 3. ON LESS POSITIVE NOTE, EMBASSY HAS LEARNED FROM VARIOUS HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS THAT GOI HAS FROZEN ALL NEW PROJECTS FOR TIME BEING DUE LOWER OIL REVENUES AND HIGHER THAN ANTICIPATED COSTS OF MAJOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS. EMAD, NONETHELESS, WILL CONTINUE WORK ON WAREHOUSE PROJECT TO PRESENT IT AS HIGH PRIORITY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BUDGET ITEM(APPARENTLY TOP PRIORITY AMONG ALL IDRO'S NEW PROJECTS) ONCE FUNDS BECOME AVAILABLE, PROBABLY IN SEPTEMBER.

4. EMAD WISHES EXPRESS APPRECIATION TO HALE AND LOUSTANNAU, AS

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